

## **DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES**

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# SPECIAL ARCHERY, MUZZLELOAD, and RIFLE FERAL GOAT HUNTING PERMITS AVAILABLE FOR THE PU'U 'OPAE PORTION OF KEKAHA GMA, UNIT A ON KAUA'I

### FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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LIHU'E, KAUA'I — The Department of Land and Natural Resources, Division of Forestry and Wildlife (DOFAW) announces the availability of a feral goat special hunt for the Pu'u 'Opae portion of Hunting Unit A, Kekaha Game Management Area (GMA) on the island of Kaua'i, pursuant to Title 13, Chapter 123-2.2, 5, 5.1 and 9 in "Rules Regulating Game Mammal Hunting."

Permits will be limited determined by a lottery. Depending on the number of applicants NOT all hunters will be drawn for the hunt. There will be no stand-by list. Applications are available at various vendors and all Hunter check stations on Kaua'i. Deadline to submit applications will be Friday, October 14, 2022, 2022. Lottery to assign dates will be on Wednesday, October 19, 2022. Applicants will be charged \$5 non-refundable application processing fee per hunter. Applicants may apply for all hunts. Applicants may apply in groups of up to 8 hunters.

Hunting will be limited to the Pu'u 'Opae portion of Kekaha GMA, Hunting Unit A. There will be 50 permits available for each two-day slot for archery,

muzzleload and rifle hunts. There will be a bag limit of 3 goats (two must be a female) per permit.

<u>Archery only dates (To-day slots)</u>: November 1-2, 9-10, 15-16, 22-23, 29-30, December 6-7, 13-14, 20-21, 2022

Muzzleload only dates (two-day slot): December 27-28, January 3-4, 10-11, 17-18, 24-25, January 31- February 1, February 6-7, 13-14,

Rifle only dates (two-day slot): February 21-22, 27-28, March 6-7, 13-14, 20-21, 28-29, April 3-4, 10-11, 17-18, 24-25

Access into the Kekaha GMA will be through the Pu'u 'Opae hunter check station marine road access or Mana tunnels area. Hunter must sign in and sign out at the Pu'u 'Opae or Mana tunnels hunting check-in station (HCS). Hunters will be allowed to field dress and de-bone their game and attach the permit to the game bag.

All requirements contained in Chapter 13-123 "Rules Regulating Game Mammal Hunting" shall apply. For further information, please call the Lihu'e Division of Forestry and Wildlife office at 3060 'Eiwa Street, Room 306, Lihu'e or (808) 274 3441 on regular working days from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

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### **RESOURCES**

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Forestry & Wildlife website: http://dlnr.hawaii.gov/dofaw/

Direct link to hunting homepage: https://dlnr.hawaii.gov/recreation/hunting/

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